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**MEETING OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2003 AT 2:00 PM**

**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL**

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER  
111 NW FIRST STREET  
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

**18th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 18-2**

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- Meeting July 14, 2003

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RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2004 TIP TO INCLUDE THE WIDENING OF SW 56<sup>TH</sup> STREET BETWEEN SW 152 AND SW 158 AVENUES IN ROAD IMPACT FEE DISTRICT 5 FROM 2 TO 4 LANES (*PWD*)

**G. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

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**I. YEAR 2025 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AMENDMENTS**

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE ADOPTED YEAR 2025 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (*MPO SECRETARIAT*)

**J. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS PROGRAM PRIORITIES**

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**V. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- A. BAY LINK PROJECT: STATUS REPORT
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**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL (TPC)  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA**

**MEETING OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2003  
2:00 P.M.**

**CONFERENCE ROOM 18-2**

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 2:08 p.m. by Mr. Jose-Luis Mesa, TPC Chairperson. The following members were present:

1. Gary Donn, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
2. Javier Rodriguez, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
3. Aristides Rivera, Public Works Department (PWD)
4. Clark P. Turner, City of Miami
5. Mario Garcia, OPTM
6. Vivian Villaamil, Miami Dade Public Schools
7. Carl Fielland, Miami-Dade Seaport
8. Michael Williams, Tri-County Commuter Rail Authority
9. Jorge Hernandez, City of Hialeah
10. Roosevelt Bradley, Miami-Dade Transit
11. Servando Parapar, Miami-Dade Expressway Authority
12. Bruce Offord, Florida Department of Environmental Protection
13. Subrata Basu, Planning & Zoning
14. Doug Yoder, Department of Environmental Protection Resource Management (DERM)
15. Christina Miskis, South Florida Regional Planning Council (Non-Voting)
16. Irma San Roman, TPC Secretariat (Non-Voting)

The sign-in sheets listing staff and other visitors present at the meeting are available on file at the TPC Secretariat. A recorded tape of the meeting is also available at the TPC Secretariat.

Mr. Mesa mentioned that Clark Turner was retiring from the City of Miami and that this would be his last meeting. Mr. Mesa thanked Mr. Turner for his invaluable contribution over the years to the work of the Council. Mr. Turner mentioned how much he appreciated being a part of the Council over the years. Mr. Mesa also introduced Mr. Gary Brown as the new member for the Dade League of Cities and acknowledged the presence of Commissioner Seijas.

**I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Mesa asked if there were any additions, deletions or modifications to the agenda. Mr. Gary Donn asked to have Items IV.A and B withdrawn from the

agenda. Mr. Mesa proposed to have Item IV.I moved to the beginning of the agenda as a courtesy to Commissioner Seijas.

Mr. Parapar moved for approval of the agenda. Mr. Donn seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

## **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Yoder moved for approval of the minutes of July 19, 2003 meeting. Mr. Bradley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **III. CTAC UPDATE**

*No report given.*

## **IV. ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2004 TIP TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR ROADWAY LANDSCAPING FOR THE MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER (MIC) PROJECT*

Mr. Donn requested to have this item withdrawn from the agenda. Motion was made and seconded.

### **B. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2004 TIP TO ADD FUNDS FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION FOR THE STATE ROAD 9A/I-95 PROJECT (FDOT)*

Mr. Donn requested to have this item withdrawn from the agenda. Motion was made and seconded.

### **C. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2004 TIP TO ADD FUNDING FOR THE DESIGN (PE) AND CONSTRUCTION (CST) PHASES FOR STATE ROAD 985/S.W. 107 AVENUE PROJECT (FDOT)*

Mr. Donn moved for the approval of the resolution. Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**D. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

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Mr. Hernandez requested specifics regarding the requested funding increase for the project. Mr. Rivera stated that he did not have the details with him. He would look into the request and provide the information to Mr. Hernandez. The item was moved and seconded. The resolution was approved unanimously with Mr. Hernandez voting nay.

**E. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2004 TIP TO ADVANCE THE I-95 ACCESS RAMP PROJECT CONNECTING PORT BOULEVARD TO I-95 FROM UNFUNDED TO FUNDED STATUS (SEAPORT)*

Mr. Mesa expressed to staff of Seaport that there had been some issues with the community and for them to contact the MPO for further details, prior to the MPO Board meeting. Mr. Fielland moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Donn seconded the motion.

**F. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

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Mr. Rivera moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Bradley seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**G. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2004 TIP TO INCLUDE ADDITIONALLY AWARDED TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY AND SYSTEM PRESERVATION FUNDS (TCSP) FOR THE PASSENGER CENTER SCHEDULED TO BE LOCATED ON NW 7<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE AND NW 62<sup>ND</sup> STREET (OPTM)*

Mr. Garcia informed the Council that he wanted to make an amendment on the floor to add 1.5 million to the original amendment request for this

item. The additional 1.5 million congressional earmarked funds are for FY 2004 and are in the process of being awarded. After further discussion, it was agreed that since the funds had not been awarded yet, it was best for the proposed amendment not to be modified and remain with the same amount of \$3.4 million as requested. A new amendment request would need to be placed once funds are awarded.

Mr. Mesa recommended that once all the pending issues are clarified, OPTM can make the amendment to the MPO Board on the floor the day of the meeting. However, the Council could not make a recommendation on something that was still not clear.

Mr. Garcia moved for approval of the resolution as originally submitted. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously as submitted.

**H. FY 2004 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT**

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Mr. Donn explained that a correction should be made to the original request to reflect the amendment in FY 2003 TIP not the 2004. The 2004 funds begin in October and this work needs to be done in September and there was no need to amend the FY 2004 TIP.

Mr. Donn moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Yoder seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**I. YEAR 2025 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AMENDMENTS**

*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE ADOPTED YEAR 2025 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MPO)*

A memorandum from the Public Works Department with additional amendments was distributed on this item. Mr. Moore introduced the item and proceeded to explain the proposed amendments part of the agenda package as had been recommended by the Long Range Plan Steering Committee. Mr. Mesa opened the floor for any discussions.

Commissioner Seijas opened the discussions regarding deletion from the Plan of the NW 170 Street Project. Mr. Mesa mentioned that

Commissioner Seijas issued a letter to the previous manager back in May requesting that this item be deleted from the People's Transportation Plan. After further discussions the Council agreed to delete the project from the Plan.

Mr. Donn clarified that the I-75 Master Plan can allow one interchange location between NW 154<sup>th</sup> and NW 170<sup>th</sup> not both. He stated that the Department most likely will recommend 154<sup>th</sup> being that it is major thoroughfare compared to 170<sup>th</sup>. Motion was made and seconded to delete this item from the Miami-Dade Transportation Plan.

Mr. Williams introduced the Broward MPO staff who made a presentation on the Broward Transit Bridge Project. Discussions proceeded on whether the project should be in the funded or unfunded section of the Long Range Plan.

It was suggested that the Council should look into the merits of the project by identifying the respective responsibilities of each agencies, the cost of the project and where the funding will come and then decide if it is financially feasible.

Broward MPO staff stated that they needed for the project to be included in the Miami-Dade Long Range Plan. After further discussion, motion was made and seconded to include the project in the Long Range Plan as a priority II with a footnote stating "pending approval of grant application". It was agreed that staff return to TPC with more information regarding the funding possibilities for this project.

Discussions took place regarding the rest of the amendments being proposed. Following is the Council's decision regarding the amendments on the list submitted to the Council by the Long Range Plan Steering Committee:

1. Coral Way (SW 147 Av to 149 Av) - approval in Priority I
2. Bird Road (SW 149 Av to 150 Av) - approval in Priority I
3. Bird Road (SW 157 Av to 162 Av) - deferred to Committee
4. SW 157 Avenue (SW 112 to 152 St) - deferred to Committee
5. SW 82 Avenue (SW 42 to 48 St) - deferred to Committee
6. Ponce de Leon Blvd. (Almeria Ave to SW 8 St) approval in Priority I

Mr. Mesa explained that the Public Works Department new list of amendments provided at the commencement of the meeting could be deferred until the October Council meeting, since this item would not go to the MPO Board until October. Motion was made and seconded to defer the Public Works list to the Long Range Plan Steering Committee and be brought back to the October TPC with a recommendation. Mr. Rivera

moved for approval of the resolution as amended. Mr. Bradley seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously as amended.

**J.                   TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS PROGRAM PRIORITIES**  
*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT*  
*RANKINGS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS*  
*PROGRAM*

Mr. Donn requested to modify the comment section on one of the items.

Mr. Yoder moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**K.                   MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM**  
*RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AWARD OF TRANSPORTATION*  
*PLANNING FUNDS FOR STUDIES THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL*  
*GRANT PROGRAM (MPO)*

Mr. Rivera moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Donn seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**L.                   UPWP FOURTH QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**  
*RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2003 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK*  
*PROGRAM (UPWP) FOURTH QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT FOR*  
*SUBMISSION TO FUNDING AGENCIES (MPO)*

Mr. Williams moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Basu seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

**V.           INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A.           BAY LINK PROJECT**

Mr. Mesa informed the Council that this item was placed on the agenda for information only and that the City of Miami Beach Commission was scheduled to hold a special meeting tonight to address the Locally Preferred Alternative.

**B.           MPO       TRANSPORTATION       PROCESS       2003       SELF**  
**CERTIFICATION**

Mrs. San Roman informed the Council that this item was placed on the agenda for information only and that it summarized the results of the Joint Certification Review conducted by FDOT and the MPO on the



Transportation Planning Process. This joint review is based on Federal regulations requiring that the process be certified on an annual basis.

**C. MPO PROGRAM PRIORITIES LISTING FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEW YEAR OF FDOT PROGRAM**

Carlos Roa informed the Council that the comments were due the following week to complete the final listing of priorities to be submitted to the FDOT.

**D. STATE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK**

Mr. Donn informed the Council that this item was placed on the agenda for information only.

**VI. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.**